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TINKER SCHOOLS

COMING THIS WAY

Two Seiners at New Fish Pier Today
With Fine Fresh and Salt Fares—
Steamers Made Hauls on
Middle Bank.

The large body of tinker mackerel has been schooling to the south and the past few weeks seem to be taking this way and the steamers and seiners are taking fish down off Chatham and the shoals. It was a big mackerel day at the new fish pier this morning, several fares being there to buy tinker fish.

Sch. Lottie G. Merchant, Capt. Ralph Webber, high line of the seiners is again in with 27,000 pounds of tinker and 140 barrels salt. Sch. Roy Roy, Capt. Lemuel Firth, another of the high liners, is also in with a nice fare, his haul being for 20,000 pounds tinker and 130 barrels salt.

The steamers reported are the Carina and Mildred, 28,000 pounds tinker; Bethulia, 4000 pounds; Eugene Rice, 60,000 pounds; Lois H. Corbett, 13,000 pounds, and 400 large and medium fresh mackerel in count; Lion, 30,000 pounds; Mary F. Ruth, 10,000 pounds and 22 barrels salt. Steamer Ethel took 25 barrels of tinker again yesterday on Middle Bank which went to the cold storage plant, while the fares of steamers Ashawena, 15 barrels, and Lydia, 20 barrels, sold at the Fort.

Fresh mackerel sold in Boston this morning at 28 1-2 cents and 25 cents for large, 16 cents and 12 cents for medium, one and one-half cents to one and three-fourths cents for tinker.

The last Cape Shore seiner of the season is home, sch. Arabia, Capt. William Bissert, arriving today with 10 barrels salt mackerel.

"KING" MACKEREL.

andcme Fish, Seldom Caught, on Exhibition in Boston Store.

Fishermen and those who love to eat tinker mackerel have been attracted by hundreds to the windows of Marshall Johnson & Co., fish dealers, 27 Bevil Hall square, Boston. The members of the finny tribe that is the treasure of all eyes is a famous tinker mackerel, a fish that is rarely caught.

The king is all that his name implies, for not only is he a handsome fish, but is accredited with being the leader of his kind. He makes the pace and selects the waters for the schools and is known as a fighter who will defeat his leadership.

Though not a large fish, the king which is on exhibition weighs a strong 4 1-2 pounds and is about two feet long. The lower part of his body is a beautiful silvery white and the back is the usual dark coloring of a mackerel, although not so pronounced, tending more toward a lighter blue. Instead of the deep stripes, the marking of the back is composed of small, twisted curves, which give a pleasing effect.

Capt. Sol Jacobs, who is famous for his "finds" in the way of queer and valuable fish, got the beauty off

Block Island last week. According to "Sol" it is the third he ever got in all his years of fishing.

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Motor Pays in Bankers.

Captain John Lewis, one of our most experienced and successful banking skippers of Newfoundland has satisfactorily demonstrated the value of the motor-propelled vessel for the bank fishery. At the beginning of the season he installed a motor in his vessel, the Metamora—an unnecessary luxury, so many of his friends thought. However, while most of the banking schooners are reporting doing nothing, Captain Lewis has got back to Harbor Breton from the Banks with eight hundred quintals of fish and fully convinced that a motor banking schooner is to be the banking schooner in future.

The Newfoundland Situation.

The fishery situation has improved somewhat from this point South and West, but there has been practically no change in the position along the North and East coasts. Though the ice has moved off the water is still below the usual summer temperature and fishermen say they will have to wait a few more days for the sport to begin. Wherever caplin have appeared some fish are being got daily but the regular voyage has not yet commenced. The only good fishery reported North is at the Grey Islands.

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MATHESON HAS

THE BANNER FARE

Largest Mackerel Trip For Years Is
Brought In by Sch. Saladin—Other
Good Catches Are In Here,
Boston and Newport.

With the biggest trip of the season, sch. Saladin, Capt. John Matheson, one of the mackerel "killers" arrived at Boston yesterday afternoon, his haul being for 27,000 fresh tinkers and 450 barrels salt tinkers. This is the largest single trip for several seasons.

After taking out his Cape Shore fare Capt. Matheson went to the southward and landed among the rafts of tinkers. Sunday he was in at Newport for more salt, afterwards making a few more sets until he filled her full and started for home.

Capt. Welch at Newport.

News was also received yesterday afternoon that sch. Benjamin A. Smith, Capt. Martin L. Welch, was at Newport, hailing for 225 barrels fresh tinkers and 200 barrels salt ones.

Two Arrivals Here.

Yesterday there arrived here sch. Ralph L. Hall, with 250 barrels salt tinkers. This morning, sch. Pinta was in with 5000 fresh tinkers and 200 barrels salt ones. Her fresh ones went to the cold storage plant, while a number were given away that were too soft for market.

At Boston this morning, sch. Evelyn M. Thompson was in with 55,000 pounds fresh tinkers and 112 barrels salt tinkers.

Mackerel buyers were given a sudden start yesterday, when two salt tinker fares jumped to \$11 a barrel. The fares were those of schs. Lottie G. Merchant, and Rob Roy, which were purchased by the Gloucester Mackerel Company.

Fresh tinkers were selling at Boston this morning at two and one-fourth cents a pound.

Porgy Steamers at Newport.

These porgy steamers were reported at Newport yesterday afternoon with fresh tinkers:

George Huddon, 220 barrels.
E. S. Macomber, 103 barrels.
R. W. Wilcox, 200 barrels.
George Curtis, 70 barrels.

Two More Salt Mackerel Trips Here.

Two more arrivals of salt tinkers here this forenoon is sch. Saladin with 450 barrels and steamer Orion, 100 barrels, both down from Boston.

Land Fresh Mackerel at Portland.

The Portland wholesale fish dealers were swamped with mackerel Wednesday, the fish coming from all directions, the majority being what is known as large tinkers. Something like 600 barrels all told were landed at the different wharves, the men at some of the sheds being obliged to

work well into the night in taking care of the fish. The steamer Kearsarge came in with 100 barrels caught off White Islands, southeast of Boothbay, while the sch. Carina brought in 70 barrels taken off Boon Island. In addition to these smaller catches were landed by other vessels, while quite a large amount was brought in from the traps at Harpswell, Richmond Island and elsewhere. The mackerel seem to be plenty all along the coast, Capt. Greenleaf of the U. S. fish commission steamer Gannet on his way up from Boothbay Wednesday sighting half a dozen large schools between Seguin and Half Way Rock. Not for years have the fish been as plenty and cheap at this season of the year as at the present time, and everything points to a most prosperous year in the mackerel fishery, once a very important industry at this port, but which for the past 25 years has been of very little account.

Trap Got Mackerel.

Swim Bros' trap at Lockeport, N. S., took 80 barrels of large mackerel Monday.

Tinker Mackerel at Halifax.

The first of the tinker mackerel for the season are now arriving at Halifax, two small shipments having already been received, the first last Friday evening, when J. Watson, the north end fish dealer received 1,000 caught off Dover and brought in by a gasoline boat. The second lot, 2,000 in number, were tucked in Monday which were caught in St. Margaret's Bay.

The large sized mackerel, which were reported to have disappeared off the Halifax coast, now appear to be returning, as several hundred have been taken off Prospect during the past week, and F. Baizley of Prospect, agent for the North Atlantic Fisheries there has some ready to ship to that firm by the schooner James L. and are expected to arrive on that vessel at Halifax shortly.

In St. Margaret's Bay, S. Y. Wilson, of A. Wilson and Son, reports that catches of mixed mackerel are being taken in the traps there. A few tinker mackerel are also being taken. At Prince Edward Island large catches of mackerel are being taken, particularly around Souris and Tignish, where some 3000 barrels large mackerel were caught Monday, which were iced and are to be shipped to various markets, chiefly to Boston. Shipments of mackerel from the Island continue to arrive at Halifax, A. Wilson and Son on Saturday received 61 barrels and J. Watson 12 barrels, these firms expected large shipments Monday evening.

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INFUX OF FISH STILL CONTINUES

All Kinds of Fish In Today From Salt Mackerel to Fresh Cod.

The big glut of fish here continues, this morning's receipts including four fresh fares, one from Cape North, one halibut and several mackerel fares. The splitters were busy, the Gorton-Pew Fisheries Company taking most of the fresh fish to split today. Several salt tinker fares are still on the market.

Today's Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:
Sch. Adeline, via Boston, 70,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Harriett, South Channel, 70,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Mary P. Goulart, via Boston, 40,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Russell, via Boston, 40,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Rob Roy, via Boston, 140 bbls. salt tinker mackerel.
Sch. Ralph L. Hall, seining, 250 bbls. salt tinker mackerel.
Sch. Elsie, Cape North, 90,000 lbs. salt cod, 40,000 lbs. fresh cod.
Sch. Pinta, seining, 5000 fresh tinker mackerel, 200 bbls. salt mackerel.
Sch. Lottie G. Merchant, via Boston, 140 bbls. salt tinker mackerel.
Sch. Stiletto, Gulf of St. Lawrence, 10,000 lbs. flitched halibut, 20,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Ruth, via Boston, 60,000 lbs. fresh fish.
Sch. Saladin, via Boston, 450 bbls. salt tinker mackerel.
Sch. Orion, via Boston, 100 bbls. salt tinker mackerel.

Vessels Sailed.

Sch. Rose Standish, swordfishing.
Sch. Margaret, halibuting.
Sch. Lucinda I. Lowell, drifting.
Sch. Mohitor, Newfoundland.
Sch. Margaret Dillon, drifting.

TODAY'S FISH MARKET.

Salt Fish.

Handline Georges codfish, large \$5 per cwt.; medium, \$4.25; snappers, \$3.00.
Georges halibut, codfish, large, \$5; medium, \$4.25.
Eastern halibut codfish, large, \$4.50; medium, \$4; snappers, \$3.
Drift cod, large, \$4.50; medium, \$4.
Salt trawl bank codfish, large, \$4.25; medium, \$3.75.
Cusk, large, \$2.50; medium, \$2; snappers, \$1.50.
Haddock, \$2.50.
Hake, \$1.80.
Pollock, \$1.75.
Flitched halibut, 8 1-2c, 6c and 3c per lb.
Cape Shore salt mackerel, \$9 per bbl.
Salt tinker mackerel, \$9 per bbl.

Fresh Fish.

Splitting prices:
Haddock, \$1.10 per cwt.
Western cod, large, \$2.40; medium, \$2; snappers, 75c.
Eastern cod, large, \$2.25; medium, \$1.80; snappers, 75c.

All codfish, not gilled, 10c per 100 pounds less than above.
Hake, \$1.30.
Cusk, large, \$1.65; medium, \$1.20; snappers, 50c.
Pollock, \$1.10.
Small pollock, 75c per bbl.
Fresh halibut, 8c per lb. for white 4c for small gray and 3c for large gray.

Large shore herring, \$3 per bbl. for salt; \$2 to freezer; \$1.75 to salt.
Fresh mackerel 13c each for large, 6c for medium, 2 1-2c per lb. for tinkers.
Whiting, 60c per bbl.

PRETTY LIGHT AT THE NEW PIER

Only Four Arrivals Today and a Holiday On Un- til Monday.

The week closed at the new fish pier today until Monday morning, four fares being at the dock. Two were with fresh mackerel, and two with fresh fares, one of which arrived yesterday afternoon.

Wholesale quotations were \$1.70 to \$1.75 a hundred for haddock, \$2.75 to \$3.75 for large and \$2 for market cod, \$1.35 for pollock.

Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:
Sch. Arethusa, 13,000 haddock, 30,000 cod, 9000 pollock.
Sch. Galatea, 500 haddock, 24,000 cod, 900 pollock.
Sch. Evelyn M. Thompson, 55,000 lbs. fresh tinker mackerel, 112 bbls. salt tinker mackerel.
Sch. Saladin, 27,000 lbs. fresh tinker mackerel, 450 bbls. salt tinker mackerel.
Haddock, \$1.70 to \$1.75 per cwt. large cod, \$2.75 to \$3.75; market cod, \$2; pollock, \$1.35; fresh tinker mackerel, 21-4 cents per lb.

Engines Worked Well.

The fishing sch. Manhasset, Capt. Frank Gray, which has been sitting out at Boston will leave today for the South Channel fishing grounds. The Manhasset has just been equipped with a 120-horsepower Delsel engine, and has the distinction of being the only fishing craft on the Atlantic with this type of auxiliary power. On the run up from Gloucester the schooner easily logged nine knots an hour and it is expected she can do even better than that.

Grounded and Floated.

Sch. Arethusa, Capt. Clayton Morrissey, which grounded on the Lower Middle, Boston harbor, yesterday morning, while making market was floated in the afternoon and towed to Boston with her fresh groundfish fare.

As Usual.

Sch. Natalie Hammond, Capt. Lemuel Spinney, stocked \$2263.43 on her recent halibuting trip, the crew's part being \$62.40 clear. The craft was gone 18 days.

BELIEVE FOUR FISHERS LOST

Blown far to the northward in their dories, probably into the Arctic wastes, four fishermen from the Matheson Codfish company's sch. Fannie Dutard of Anacortes, are believed to have lost their lives, according to the Seattle Post-Intelligencer News confirming this report has not been received by the local offices of the company.

The report states that two other fishermen from that vessel were picked up by the gas boat Kenmore, in False Pass, Bering sea. They had been adrift for many hours and were exhausted from lack of food and water. The dories which were blown to the northward were only lightly provisioned.

The news was received in Seattle in a letter from Capt. J. Grotle, master of the codfish sch. John A. The Fannie Dutard was fishing on Slime bank on May 18 when a terrific southeast gale sprang up. Many of the fishermen from the schooner were out in the dories and those nearest the vessel reached her in safety. Two dories containing two men each, with only a limited supply of food and water were caught in the teeth of the gale and disappeared to the northward.

The Fanny Dutard left Seattle for sea on March 30 in command of Capt. Malcolm McPhie. She had a total of 38 men aboard, including her fishermen.

Quick Trip.

After being out less than a week the schooner Quickstep, Captain Arthur Casey, arrived at Digby, N. S., Sunday, from a fishing trip in the Bay, to the westward with 75,000 pounds.

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Halibut Fares at Portland.

Three trips of halibut were brought in Friday, two of them by western vessels, the other by the well known local fishing schooner Margie Turner, which returned from a cruise of about three weeks on the Georges banks, she having 15,000 pounds of halibut and 5000 pounds of shack fish. The Gloucester sch. Claudia, which has also been fishing on Georges, had 5000 pounds of halibut and 7000 pounds of salt cod, while the Boston schooner Elmer E. Gray came in from a month's cruise on the Grand Banks, hailing for 15,000 pounds of halibut and a similar amount each of shack fish and salt cod. Moderate weather prevailed the greater portion of the time the schooners were on the banks.

Week's Landings at Boston.

Receipts of fresh groundfish at Boston last week totalled 2,332,700 pounds from 51 fares against 2,407,800 pounds from 56 arrivals for the corresponding week of 1913.

GOOD PRICES AT WEEK OPENING

Haddock Up to \$4 and Large Fresh Cod Soar to \$5 Per Cwt.

The market at Boston on fresh fish was a little better than it has been there being an advance on all grades over the holidays.

Six trips were at the new pier when the gong sounded, four of which were from off shore. In addition to these two swordfish fares were also on hand. Wholesale quotations were \$3 to \$4 a hundred for haddock, \$4.50 to \$5 for large cod and \$2 to \$2.50 for market cod and \$1.50 to \$2 for pollock. Swordfish sold at 15 cents per pound.

Boston Arrivals and Receipts.

The arrivals and receipts in detail are:
Str. Gyga, 12,000 fresh tinker mackerel.
Str. Swell, 44,000 haddock, 700 cod.
Sch. Commonwealth, 22,000 haddock, 28,000 cod, 6000 pollock.
Sch. Edith Silveria, 40,000 haddock, 8000 cod, 2000 pollock.
Sch. Jorgina, 35,000 haddock, 53,000 cod, 12,000 pollock.
Sch. Viking, 1000 haddock, 18,000 cod, 2500 pollock.
Sch. Elizabeth W. Nunan, 1000 cod, 100,000 hake.
Sch. Elva L. Spurling, 58 swordfish.
Sch. Eliza A. Benner, 42 swordfish.
Haddock, \$3 to \$4 per cwt.; large cod, \$4.50 to \$5; market cod, \$2 to \$2.50; pollock, \$1.50 to \$2; swordfish 15 cts. per lb.

Provincetown Fishing News.

Sloop Pearl of Provincetown, Dargett Bros., one of the seining fleet, has arrived from a five weeks' cruise from Jersey coast to Block Island. She has high line from Provincetown. She stocked \$1000, three men to share. She sailed to Gloucester for a large seine.

Sch. Matchless was in port last week after landing a big trip of fish at Gloucester to the splitters. The crew shared \$45.00 each for the week. The great school of codfish is proving very remunerative to the vessel crews. Large catches are being made and although the price is smaller than usual, the great amount of fish enables the men to make good stocks of shares.

Str. Mildred and Agnes landed barrels bluebacks at the Cape Cod freezer last Monday noon. Two barrels of mackerel were also taken. The catch of bluebacks that went to J. O'Neill.

Str. Sam and Priscilla was in Monday forenoon last week with 60 barrels bluebacks that sold to vessels for \$1.50 and was in again about 2 o'clock with 30 barrels that went to the Fishermen's freezer. Steamer Joanna also had 130 barrels of bluebacks at the place.